

FISCAL NOTE

SB 253 - HB 483

February 27, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that every child in Tennessee under the age of 24 whose parent is a retired teacher from any public school in Tennessee who retired after a minimum of 25 years of full-time creditable service, shall receive a 25% discount on tuition to any state-operated area technical vocational school or institution of higher learning.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$216,230

Estimate assumes:

- Lost revenues to higher education institutions will be replaced with state funds.
- Approximately 845 full-time equivalent (FTE) students/dependents of retired teachers will take courses.
- Approximately \$256 represents the 25% tuition discount for each FTE student/dependent ($845 \times \$256 = \$216,230$)
- The number of FTE students/dependents of retired teachers who will take courses will be approximately 7% of the number of FTE students/dependents of active teachers currently participating in the program.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director